

IN THE SENATE

SENATE BILL NO. 1375, As Amended

BY STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO FIREARMS, EXPLOSIVES AND OTHER DEADLY WEAPONS; AMENDING SECTION 18-3302, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE THAT A LATE RENEWAL PENALTY FOR A LICENSE TO CARRY A CONCEALED WEAPON SHALL NOT APPLY TO CERTAIN LICENSEES SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES AND TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CORRECTION.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

SECTION 1. That Section 18-3302, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

18-3302. ISSUANCE OF LICENSES TO CARRY CONCEALED WEAPONS. (1) The sheriff of a county, on behalf of the state of Idaho, shall, within ninety (90) days after the filing of an application by any person who is not disqualified from possessing or receiving a firearm under state or federal law, issue a license to the person to carry a weapon concealed on his person within this state. For licenses issued before July 1, 2006, a license shall be valid for four (4) years from the date of issue. For licenses issued on or after July 1, 2006, a license shall be valid for five (5) years from the date of issue. The citizen's constitutional right to bear arms shall not be denied to him, unless he:

(a) Is ineligible to own, possess or receive a firearm under the provisions of state or federal law; or

(b) Is formally charged with a crime punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding one (1) year; or

(c) Has been adjudicated guilty in any court of a crime punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding one (1) year; or

(d) Is a fugitive from justice; or

(e) Is an unlawful user of, or addicted to, marijuana or any depressant, stimulant, or narcotic drug, or any other controlled substance as defined in 21 U.S.C. 802; or

(f) Is currently suffering or has been adjudicated as follows, based on substantial evidence:

(i) Lacking mental capacity as defined in section 18-210, Idaho Code; or

(ii) Mentally ill as defined in section 66-317, Idaho Code; or

(iii) Gravely disabled as defined in section 66-317, Idaho Code; or

(iv) An incapacitated person as defined in section 15-5-101(a), Idaho Code; or

(g) Is or has been discharged from the armed forces under dishonorable conditions; or

(h) Is or has been adjudicated guilty of or received a withheld judgment or suspended sentence for one (1) or more crimes of violence

1 constituting a misdemeanor, unless three (3) years ~~has~~ have elapsed  
2 since disposition or pardon has occurred prior to the date on which the  
3 application is submitted; or

4 (i) Has had entry of a withheld judgment for a criminal offense which  
5 would disqualify him from obtaining a concealed weapon license; or

6 (j) Is an alien illegally in the United States; or

7 (k) Is a person who having been a citizen of the United States, has  
8 renounced his or her citizenship; or

9 (l) Is under twenty-one (21) years of age; or

10 (m) Is free on bond or personal recognizance pending trial, appeal  
11 or sentencing for a crime which would disqualify him from obtaining a  
12 concealed weapon license; or

13 (n) Is subject to a protection order issued under chapter 63, title  
14 39, Idaho Code, that restrains the person from harassing, stalking or  
15 threatening an intimate partner of the person or child of the intimate  
16 partner or person, or engaging in other conduct that would place an  
17 intimate partner in reasonable fear of bodily injury to the partner or  
18 child.

19 The license application shall be in triplicate, in a form to  
20 be prescribed by the director of the Idaho state police, and shall  
21 ask the name, address, description and signature of the licensee,  
22 date of birth, social security number, military status, and the  
23 driver's license number or state identification card number of the  
24 licensee if used for identification in applying for the license. The  
25 application shall indicate that provision of the social security  
26 number is optional. The license application shall contain a warning  
27 substantially as follows:

28 CAUTION: Federal law and state law on the possession of weapons and  
29 firearms differ. If you are prohibited by federal law from possessing  
30 a weapon or a firearm, you may be prosecuted in federal court. A state  
31 permit is not a defense to a federal prosecution.

32 The sheriff shall require any person who is applying for original  
33 issuance of a license to submit his fingerprints in addition to the  
34 other information required in this subsection. Within five (5) days  
35 after the filing of an application, the sheriff shall forward the  
36 application and fingerprints to the Idaho state police for a records  
37 check of state and national files. The Idaho state police shall conduct  
38 a national fingerprint-based records check and return the results  
39 to the sheriff within seventy-five (75) days. The sheriff shall not  
40 issue a license before receiving the results of the records check and  
41 must deny a license if the applicant is disqualified under any of the  
42 criteria listed in paragraphs (a) through (n) of subsection (1) of this  
43 section.

44 The license will be in a form substantially similar to that of the  
45 Idaho driver's license. It will bear the signature, name, address, date  
46 of birth, picture of the licensee, expiration date and the driver's  
47 license number or state identification card number of the licensee if  
48 used for identification in applying for the license. Upon issuing a  
49 license under the provisions of this section, the sheriff will notify  
50 the Idaho state police on a form or in a manner prescribed by the state

1 police. Information relating to an applicant or licensee received or  
2 maintained pursuant to this section by the sheriff or Idaho state police  
3 is confidential and exempt from disclosure under section 9-338, Idaho  
4 Code.

5 (2) The fee for original issuance of a license shall be twenty dollars  
6 (\$20.00) paid to the sheriff for the purpose of enforcing the provisions  
7 of this chapter. The sheriff may collect any additional fees necessary to  
8 cover the cost of processing fingerprints lawfully required by any state  
9 or federal agency or department, and the cost of materials for the license  
10 lawfully required by any state agency or department, which costs shall be  
11 paid to the state.

12 (3) The fee for renewal of the license shall be fifteen dollars  
13 (\$15.00). The sheriff may collect any additional fees necessary to cover  
14 the processing costs lawfully required by any state or federal agency or  
15 department, and the cost of materials for the license lawfully required by  
16 any state agency or department, which costs shall be paid to the state. If  
17 a licensee applying for renewal has not previously been required to submit  
18 fingerprints, the sheriff shall require the licensee to do so and may collect  
19 any additional fees necessary to cover the cost of processing fingerprints  
20 lawfully required by any state or federal agency or department.

21 (4) Every license that is not, as provided by law, suspended, revoked  
22 or disqualified in this state shall be renewable at any time during the  
23 ninety (90) day period before its expiration or within ninety (90) days  
24 after the expiration date. Renewal notices shall be mailed out ninety (90)  
25 days prior to the expiration date of the license. The sheriff shall require  
26 the licensee applying for renewal to complete an application. The sheriff  
27 shall submit the application to the Idaho state police for a records check  
28 of state and national databases. The Idaho state police shall conduct the  
29 records check and return the results to the sheriff within thirty (30) days.  
30 The sheriff shall not issue a renewal before receiving the results of the  
31 records check and must deny a license if the applicant is disqualified under  
32 any of the criteria listed in subsection (1), paragraphs (a) through (n)  
33 of this section. A renewal license shall be valid for a period of five (5)  
34 years. A license so renewed shall take effect on the expiration date of  
35 the prior license. A licensee renewing ninety-one (91) days or more after  
36 the expiration date of the license shall pay a late renewal penalty of ten  
37 dollars (\$10.00) in addition to the renewal fee, except that any licensee  
38 serving on active duty in the armed forces of the United States during the  
39 renewal period shall not be required to pay a late renewal penalty upon  
40 renewing ninety-one (91) days or more after the expiration date of the  
41 license. The fee shall be paid to the sheriff for the purpose of enforcing  
42 the provisions of this chapter.

43 (5) Notwithstanding the requirements of this section, the sheriff of  
44 the county of the applicant's residence may issue a temporary emergency  
45 license for good cause pending review under subsection (1) of this section.

46 (6) A city, county or other political subdivision of this state shall  
47 not modify the requirements of this section, nor may a political subdivision  
48 ask the applicant to voluntarily submit any information not required in this  
49 section. A civil action may be brought to enjoin a wrongful refusal to issue  
50 a license or a wrongful modification of the requirements of this section.

1 The civil action may be brought in the county in which the application was  
2 made or in Ada county at the discretion of the petitioner. Any person who  
3 prevails against a public agency in any action in the courts for a violation  
4 of subsections (1) through (5) of this section, shall be awarded costs,  
5 including reasonable attorney's fees incurred in connection with the legal  
6 action.

7 (7) Except in the person's place of abode or fixed place of business,  
8 or on property in which the person has any ownership or leasehold interest,  
9 a person shall not carry a concealed weapon without a license to carry a  
10 concealed weapon. For the purposes of this section, a concealed weapon means  
11 any dirk, dirk knife, bowie knife, dagger, pistol, revolver, or any other  
12 deadly or dangerous weapon. The provisions of this section shall not apply  
13 to any lawfully possessed shotgun or rifle.

14 (8) A county sheriff, deputy sheriff, or county employee who issues a  
15 license to carry a concealed weapon under this section shall not incur any  
16 civil or criminal liability as the result of the performance of his duties  
17 under this section.

18 (9) While in any motor vehicle, inside the limits or confines of any  
19 city, a person shall not carry a concealed weapon on or about his person  
20 without a license to carry a concealed weapon. This shall not apply to any  
21 firearm located in plain view whether it is loaded or unloaded. A firearm may  
22 be concealed legally in a motor vehicle so long as the weapon is disassembled  
23 or unloaded.

24 (10) In implementing the provisions of this section on behalf of the  
25 state of Idaho, the sheriff shall make applications readily available at the  
26 office of the sheriff or at other public offices in his jurisdiction.

27 (11) The sheriff of a county may issue a license to carry a concealed  
28 weapon to those individuals between the ages of eighteen (18) and twenty-one  
29 (21) years who in the judgment of the sheriff warrant the issuance of the  
30 license to carry a concealed weapon. Such issuance shall be subject to  
31 limitations which the issuing authority deems appropriate. Licenses issued  
32 to individuals between the ages of eighteen (18) and twenty-one (21) years  
33 shall be easily distinguishable from regular licenses.

34 (12) The requirement to secure a license to carry a concealed weapon  
35 under this section shall not apply to the following persons:

36 (a) Officials of a county, city, state of Idaho, the United States,  
37 peace officers, guards of any jail, court appointed attendants or any  
38 officer of any express company on duty;

39 (b) Employees of the adjutant general and military division of the  
40 state where military membership is a condition of employment when on  
41 duty;

42 (c) Criminal investigators of the attorney general's office, criminal  
43 investigators of a prosecuting attorney's office, prosecutors and  
44 their deputies;

45 (d) Any person outside the limits of or confines of any city while  
46 engaged in lawful hunting, fishing, trapping or other lawful outdoor  
47 activity;

48 (e) Any publicly elected Idaho official;

49 (f) Retired peace officers or detention deputies with at least ten (10)  
50 years of service with the state or a political subdivision as a peace

1 officer or detention deputy and who have been certified by the peace  
2 officer standards and training council;

3 (g) Any person who has a valid permit from a state or local law  
4 enforcement agency or court authorizing him to carry a concealed  
5 weapon. A permit issued in another state will only be considered valid  
6 if the permit is in the licensee's physical possession.

7 (13) When issuing a license pursuant to this section, the sheriff may  
8 require the applicant to demonstrate familiarity with a firearm and shall  
9 accept any of the following, provided the applicant may select which one:

10 (a) Completion of any hunter education or hunter safety course approved  
11 by the department of fish and game or a similar agency of another state;  
12 or

13 (b) Completion of any national rifle association firearms safety or  
14 training course, or any national rifle association hunter education  
15 course; or

16 (c) Completion of any firearms safety or training course or class  
17 available to the general public offered by a law enforcement agency,  
18 community college, college, university, or private or public  
19 institution or organization or firearms training school, utilizing  
20 instructors certified by the national rifle association or the Idaho  
21 state police; or

22 (d) Completion of any law enforcement firearms safety or training  
23 course or class offered for security guards, investigators, special  
24 deputies, or any division or subdivision of a law enforcement agency or  
25 security enforcement agency; or

26 (e) Presents evidence or equivalent experience with a firearm through  
27 participation in organized shooting competition or military service;  
28 or

29 (f) Is licensed or has been licensed to carry a firearm in this state or  
30 a county or municipality, unless the license has been revoked for cause;  
31 or

32 (g) Completion of any firearms training or training or safety course  
33 or class conducted by a state certified or national rifle association  
34 certified firearms instructor.

35 (14) A person carrying a concealed weapon in violation of the provisions  
36 of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

37 (15) The sheriff of the county where the license was issued or the  
38 sheriff of the county where the person resides shall have the power to revoke  
39 a license subsequent to a hearing in accordance with the provisions of  
40 chapter 52, title 67, Idaho Code, for any of the following reasons:

41 (a) Fraud or intentional misrepresentation in the obtaining of a  
42 license; or

43 (b) Misuse of a license, including lending or giving a license to  
44 another person, or duplicating a license, or using a license with the  
45 intent to unlawfully cause harm to a person or property; or

46 (c) The doing of an act or existence of a condition which would have been  
47 grounds for the denial of the license by the sheriff; or

48 (d) The violation of any of the terms of this section; or

1       (e) The applicant is adjudicated guilty of or receives a withheld  
2 judgment for a crime which would have disqualified him from initially  
3 receiving a license.

4       (16) A person twenty-one (21) years of age or older issued a license to  
5 carry a concealed weapon is exempt from any requirement to undergo a records  
6 check at the time of purchase or transfer of a firearm from a federally  
7 licensed firearms dealer. However, a temporary emergency license issued  
8 under subsection (5) of this section shall not exempt the holder of the  
9 license from any records check requirement. Temporary emergency licenses  
10 shall be easily distinguishable from regular licenses.

11       (17) The attorney general is authorized to negotiate reciprocal  
12 agreements with other states related to the recognition of licenses to carry  
13 concealed weapons. The Idaho state police shall keep a copy and maintain a  
14 record of all such agreements, which shall be made available to the public.

15       (18) The provisions of this section are hereby declared to be severable  
16 and if any provision of this section or the application of such provision  
17 to any person or circumstance is declared invalid for any reason, such  
18 declaration shall not affect the validity of remaining portions of this  
19 section.